## DEVIL'S STOMPIN' GROUND ROAD

The Devil's Stompin' Ground Road extends from the courthouse in the Chatham County seat of Pittsboro through

the farmlands and forests of the lower piedmont and across N.C. 22 to N.C. 705, north of Robbins in Moore County.

Begin the route from the Chatham County Courthouse in Pittsboro by following U.S. 64 Business West and turning left onto N.C.



"The Devil's Stomping Ground"

**902 West.** Travel by Round Top Mountain across the Rocky River and through an area known as "The Devil's Stompin' Grounds" near the community of Bear Creek.

The legend behind the byway's name begins with a tale of a worn, circular path in a local clearing. According to local residents, the path is worn because of the devil's pacing and his plotting of new forms of evil to afflict the good in the world. The clearing itself sits off the byway, and local residents can provide specific directions to the site.

**Continue to follow the byway and cross over U.S. 421.** This portion of the byway passes 10 miles north of the House in the Horseshoe State Historic Site. The house is accessible by traveling U.S. 421

South to Goldston and then following signs to the house. Built around 1770, the house is named for its location in a bend

along the Deep River and is the site of a Revolutionary War skirmish between the Whigs and the Tories.

After crossing the N.C. 22/42 intersection, N.C. 902 ends and the road becomes Jerry Frye Road (S.R. 1164). Follow Jerry Frye Road into Randolph County, where the state road number changes

to 2280. One quarter of a mile inside Randolph County, the byway will intersect with Howard Mill Road (S.R. 2877).

Turn left onto Howard Mill Road and travel two miles to the Moore County line, where the road name changes to North Howard Mill Road (S.R. 1456). Continue on North Howard Mill Road for four miles through the beautiful Moore County countryside. The byway ends at the intersection of N.C. 705, which is also designated as the Pottery Road (pg. 90).



Length: 43 miles Drive Time: 50 minutes Counties: Moore and Randolph